

REMARKS

The Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for thoroughly reviewing and considering the pending application. The Office Action dated February 10, 2006 has been received and carefully reviewed. Claims 1, 3, and 8 have been amended. Claims 1-6, 8-12, 14-17, and 19-41 are currently pending. Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Initially, the Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 8-12, 14-17, and 19-41, and the indication that claims 3-6 include allowable subject matter.

The Office Action rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,587,166 to *Lee et al.* (hereinafter “*Lee*”) in view of Japanese Patent Publication JP 11086623 to *Sasaki* (hereinafter “*Sasaki*”). The Applicants traverse the rejection.

As required in Chapter 2143.03 of the M.P.E.P., in order to “establish *prima facie* obviousness of the claimed invention, all the limitations must be taught or suggested by the prior art.” The Applicants respectfully submit that neither *Lee* nor *Sasaki*, either singularly or in combination, disclose or suggest each and every element recited in claims 1 and 2. In particular, claim 1 has been amended to recite a structure for mounting an inverter comprising, among other features, at least one bracket “having a case part and an inverter part.” The Applicants submit that none of the cited references, either singularly or in combination, disclose or suggest this feature. Accordingly, the Applicants request that the rejection be withdrawn. Similarly, claim 2, which depends from claim 1, is also patentable for at least the same reasons.

The application is in a condition for allowance and favorable action is respectfully solicited. If for any reason the Examiner believes a conversation with the Applicant’s representative would facilitate the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to

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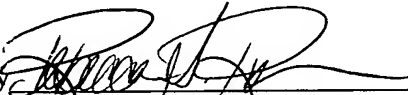
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contact the undersigned attorney at (202) 496-7500. All correspondence should continue to be sent to the below-listed address.

If these papers are not considered timely filed by the Patent and Trademark Office, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 for any necessary extension of time, or any other fees required to complete the filing of this response, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0911. Please credit any overpayment to deposit Account No. 50-0911. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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